

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 786

By Briggs

A RESOLUTION to commend and congratulate De'Sean Bishop of Karns High School upon receiving the 2021 Tennessee Titans Mr. Football Award, Division I, Class 5A.

WHEREAS, the members of this General Assembly take great pride in recognizing those student athletes who have displayed unmatched prowess on the fields of play; and

WHEREAS, De'Sean Bishop, a member of the 2021 Karns High School football team, is one such individual who was recently honored with the 2021 Tennessee Titans Mr. Football Award, Division I, Class 5A; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Bishop, who has committed himself to the pursuit of excellence both on the gridiron and in the classroom while displaying outstanding character as a member of the Karns High School Beavers, was chosen by a committee of sportswriters to receive the award, for which he was nominated by coaches and members of the media; and

WHEREAS, a star running back for the Beavers, De'Sean Bishop compiled an amazing 2,708 rushing yards and twenty-seven touchdowns on the ground in the regular season, finishing the entire season with 441 carries, 3,179 rushing yards, and thirty-seven touchdowns; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Bishop's 441 carries were tied for the most in TSSAA single-season history, and his rushing yard total ranked second in TSSAA single-season history; he also spent many weeks this season as the nation's leading rusher; and

WHEREAS, during the 2020 season, he was named to the *Knox News* All-PrepXtra football team, All-State by the Tennessee Sports Writers Association for Class 5A, and 5Star Preps 2020 Offensive Underclassman of the Year; and

WHEREAS, a junior at Karns High School with a 3.0 grade point average, De'Sean Bishop has already received offers to play football at Virginia Tech, Michigan State University, and the University of Tennessee, and he has been named 5Star Prep Running Back of the Year as well as the Knoxville Quarterback Club Player of the Week; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Bishop's dedication to excellence is clearly deserving of the respect, admiration, and commendation of this General Assembly; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED TWELFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we hereby commend and congratulate De'Sean Bishop of Karns High School upon his receipt of the 2021 Tennessee Titans Mr. Football Award, Division I, Class 5A, and extend to him our best wishes for his every future success.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy and upon proper request made to the appropriate clerk, the language appearing immediately following the State seal appear without House or Senate designation.